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NEWS AND NOTES

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THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

The seventh annual meeting of the American Political Science Association which was held in St. Louis, December 27-30, was in every way a successful gathering and bore witness to the rapid growth of the Association and to the value of its proceedings. All of the meetings, with one exception, were held at the Southern Hotel where the Association had its headquarters, and at the close of each evening session a reception and buffet supper was tendered the members of all the associations then holding annual meetings in the city. These included, besides the Political Science Association, the American Economic Association, the American Sociological Society, the American Statistical Association and the American Association for Labor Legislation. In result the visiting members were kept closely associated and abundant opportunity offered for the making of new acquaintance, the renewing of older friendships, and, generally, the interchange of individual views. The Secretary and Treasurer reported a continued increase in the membership of the Political Science Association, the enrollment being approximately thirteen hundred and fifty.

The annual presidential address, which was delivered by Governor Woodrow Wilson, is published in this issue of the REVIEW.

The topics, to a discussion of which the various sessions of the meeting were devoted, were: Recent Constitutional Developments in Europe, Municipal Government, Judicial Organization and Preceding Primary Elections, International Law, and Taxation, the last named subject furnishing the topic for discussion at the meeting held jointly with the American Economic Association. The titles and authors of the various papers read were as follows: The Law and the Facts (Presidential Address), by Governor Woodrow Wilson; The British House of Lords, by Prof. T. F.

Moran; Tendencies towards Ministerial Responsibility in Germany, by Prof. W. J. Shepard; The Russian Duma, by Mr. I. A. Hourwich; the Turkish Parliament, by Prof. A. H. Lybyer; The Proper Organization and Procedure of a Municipal Court, by Chief Justice Olson; Delays and Reversals on Technical Grounds in Civil and Criminal Trials, by Hon. Edward J. McDermott; Commission Government in Kansas (by title), by Mr. F. G. Bates; Tendencies in Municipal Charters, by Dr. H. E. Flack; The United States Bureau of the Census and Municipal Statistics by Mr. E. C. Meyer; Primary Elections in Illinois, by Hon. W. Clyde Jones; Direct Primaries in Missouri, by Prof. Isidor Loeb; Primary Elections in Iowa, by Prof. F. E. Horack; The Direct Primary Movement in New York, by Prof. C. A. Beard; Primary Elections and their Results in Massachusetts, 1640-1691, by Dr. E. M. Hartwell; The Place of the Income Tax in the Reform of Senate Taxation, by Prof. T. S. Adams; Land Value and Taxation, by Prof. H. J. Davenport; Aërial Navigation, by Prof. G. G. Wilson; and Methods of Enlisting Public Opinion in International Arbitration, by Mr. Theodore Marburg. The papers on Taxation will be published by the American Economic Association. The remaining papers read will be published at an early date either in this REVIEW or in the seventh volume of the PROCEEDINGS of the American Political Science Association. Among the informal addresses at the various meetings, of especial interest were the remarks of Hon. F. W. Lehmann, Hon. John D. Lamson, and Mr. E. M. Grossman at the session devoted to Judicial Procedure.

For the year 1911 the following officers of the association were elected: President, Simeon E. Baldwin; first vice-president, Albert Bushnell Hart; Second vice-president, Emlin McClain; third vice-président, Ernst Freund; secretary and treasurer, W. W. Willoughby, Stephen Leacock. Charles McCarthy, Isidor Loeb, C. H. McIlwain, T. F. Moran and A. R. Hatton were elected members of the Executive Council.

The decision as to the place for the next meeting of the Association was left to the Executive Council. Their decision will be announced in the May issue of this REVIEW.

PERSONAL AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL

Rear-Admiral C. H. Stockton has accepted the acting presidency of George Washington University. He will also during the course of the year deliver a series of lectures on international arbitration and the position of the modern navy in international affairs.